

DETAILED ACTION

Reasons for Allowance

1. Claims 1, 5, 7, 9-11, 13 and 14 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art does not teach or fairly suggest the treatment combination of light radiation, laser radiation, vibration, and massage provided in a case that is powered by a chargeable battery. The closest prior art as embodied by US 2003/0093915 A1 to Pearl et al. teaches an apparatus for stimulating hair growth that uses laser light and non-coherent light to stimulate hair growth and while Pearl teaches protrusions these protrusions are used to separate the hair in much the same fashion as a brush in order for the laser light and non-coherent light to reach the scalp. Pearl does not disclose any advantage to the addition of massage and vibration. Similarly, US 2004/0006332 to Black teaches a device for hygienic treatments of body structures as well as the combination of light and vibration and massage. However, Black fails to disclose the use of both coherent and non-coherent light. Black also fails to disclose the particular configuration and specifically the lens section as described in the allowed claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KAITLYN E. HELLING whose telephone number is (571)270-5845. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Linda C.M. Dvorak can be reached on (571)272-4764. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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